Promotion of Mountaineering

1714. SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what steps have been taken to promote mountaineering, rock-climbing and trekking amongst students in the country; and

(b) whether there is any scheme to provide grants to Educational Institutions for purchase of equipment and for the organisation of these sports activities and if so what are its details?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS AND WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA) (a) and (b) The Department of Youth Affairs and Sports is extending financial assistance for promoting mountaineering, rock-climbing; trekking; for the purchase of equipments and for other adventurous activites to Voluntary Agences, Educational Institutions; Nehru Yuva Kendras and group of individuals.

Removal of Examiner in the Survey Department University College of Medical Science, Delhi

1715. SHRI N. E. BALRAM: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the examiner in the surgery discipline for the final year examination of MBBS conducted by the University College of Medical Sciences in Delhi, was removed at the last minute i.e. in the evening of 17th December, 1986;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(c) whether it is also a fact that on 18th December, 1986 the son of Director-General of Health Services was to appear in the examination;

(d) whether his attention has been drawn to a news report in this regard appearing in 'Patriot' of 13th February, 1987;

(e) if so, what are the details in this regard; and

(f) whether any enquiry will be held regarding the allegation made therein?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) According to Delhi University, a Senior Consultant in Surgery was appointed on the recommendation of the Committee of Courses and Studies as internal examiner for Surgery for the final year MBBS examination to be held in December, 1986. He had, however, to be changed subsequently as it was noticed that he did not carry the requisite teaching designation of Professor for such appointment.

(c) The son of Director-General of Health Services appeared at the examination on 21-12-86 and not on 18-12-86.

(d) Yes, Sir.

(e) It has *inter-alia* been alleged in the News-item that the examiner was changed